

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph on page 1 as follows:

This is a continuation application of U.S. patent application Serial Number 10/008,671 filed December 7, 2001 which was a continuation of Serial Number 09/058,467, filed April 9, 1998, entitled "CARBON MONOXIDE AND SMOKE DETECTION APPARATUS₂", which claims the benefit of the filing date of ~~priority from~~ provisional U.S. application Serial No. 60/055,009, entitled "SMOKE AND GAS DETECTORS," filed August 7, 1997, ~~the subject matter and entire writings of which are incorporated herein by reference.~~